

RECOMMENDATIONS

China's Energy Policy, Demand, and Supply

- The Commission recommends that Congress encourage the Administration to seek greater cooperation with China in collecting and reporting energy-related data and to assist China to improve the bureaucratic framework and governance of its energy policy-making bodies.
- The Commission recommends that Congress urge the Administration to engage China to address global climate change/environmental degradation and identify opportunities for further U.S.-China cooperation.

China's Environmental Situation

- The Commission recommends that Congress urge the Administration to increase its monitoring of air quality in the western United States and its support for efforts to determine the pollution in the United States that can be traced to China.
- The Commission recommends that Congress encourage the Administration to seek opportunities with China for (1) joint study of the economic and social costs of environmental pollution, (2) joint projects to monitor more effectively and transparently relevant environmental pollutants, and (3) joint projects to prevent pollution by use of nonpolluting energy sources and technologies and application of technologies to reduce pollution from carbon fuel combustion (such as carbon capture and sequestration techniques).

The Geostrategic Impact of China's Energy Policies and Activities

- The Commission recommends that Congress urge the Administration to engage in a dialogue with China and other Asian nations about the physical security of their energy supplies, protection of sea lines of communication, and energy cooperation in Asia.
- The Commission recommends that Congress urge the Administration to set as an objective for the next Strategic Economic Dialogue session developing with China a concrete agenda, a set of principles, and a timetable for identifying and addressing common strategic energy concerns.

Prospects for Addressing the Effects of China's Energy Consumption

- The Commission recommends that Congress encourage the Administration to continue its current energy cooperation with China and seek opportunities to expand that cooperation at all levels of engagement, especially directed toward enhancing the monitoring and enforcement capabilities of China's energy and environmental regulatory agencies.
- The Commission recommends that Congress encourage the sale to China of U.S. energy efficiency and clean energy technologies, especially from small- and medium-sized enterprises, and the implementation of those technologies in China.
- The Commission recommends that Congress urge the Administration to seek further opportunities for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to cooperate with China on the development and enforcement of energy efficient building codes to promote energy conservation and energy efficiency in new building construction.